

HOUSE BILL No. 1080

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 3-7-38.2.

Synopsis: Voter registration. Provides that if a county voter registration office receives information that a voter has moved to a new address, but the information does not include a forwarding address, the voter registration office must place the voter on the inactive roles at the former address and is not required to send the voter a notice at the undeliverable address concerning this change. Requires a voter's registration to be canceled 30 days after the second general election that occurs after the voter appears on the inactive roles and at which the voter has not voted. Requires the election division to conduct a residency confirmation and outreach program at least once before each general election. (Current law permits, but does not require, this program to be conducted annually.) Appropriates money from the state
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Effective: Upon passage.

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January 6, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Elections and Apportionment.



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general fund to the election division for the voter residency confirmation and outreach programs. (The introduced version of this bill was prepared by the census data advisory commission.)

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections and to make an appropriation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 3-7-38.2-10 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 10. (a) As provided
3 in 42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(c)(1)(B)(i), if the county voter registration
4 office determines from information provided under this chapter that a
5 voter has moved to an address different from the address where ~~the~~
6 voter is currently registered, the voter registration office shall:
7 (1) change the registration record to show the new address; and
8 (2) send the voter a notice of the change;
9 **if the information provided under this chapter includes a**
10 **forwarding address.**
11 **(b) If the information provided under this chapter:**
12 **(1) indicates that a voter has moved to an address different**
13 **from the address where the voter is currently registered; and**
14 **(2) does not include a forwarding address;**
15 **the county voter registration office shall indicate on the**
16 **registration record that the voter is an inactive voter at that**
17 **address and shall remove the voter's name from the registration**
18 **rolls under the procedures of this chapter if the voter has not**



1 **voted, appeared to vote, or has failed to correct the voter**
 2 **registration record within the period described in section 14(2)(B)**
 3 **of this chapter.**

4 SECTION 2. IC 3-7-38.2-15 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 5 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 15. At the
 6 expiration of the period ending thirty (30) days after **the second**
 7 **general election following** the date on which notices are mailed to a
 8 voter described in section 14(2) of this chapter, the county voter
 9 registration office shall cancel the registration of a voter who has not
 10 responded to the notice sent under section 13 of this chapter.

11 SECTION 3. IC 3-7-38.2-16 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 12 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 16. The NVRA
 13 official ~~may also shall~~ conduct ~~an annual a~~ residency confirmation and
 14 outreach ~~procedure~~ **program** under this chapter **at least once before**
 15 **each general election.** The NVRA official (or a contractor acting on
 16 behalf of the NVRA official) ~~may shall~~ send a mailing by U.S. mail,
 17 postage prepaid, to each voter in Indiana. ~~who has not received a~~
 18 ~~mailing under any other provision of this chapter.~~

19 SECTION 4. IC 3-7-38.2-17 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 20 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 17. The mailing
 21 sent under section 16 of this chapter must inquire whether the voter
 22 still resides at the residence address indicated on the person's voter
 23 registration. If the postcard is returned as undeliverable and the voter
 24 does not vote in either of the two (2) general elections following the
 25 mailing of the postcard, the county voter registration office shall
 26 remove the voter's name from the list of registered voters **at the**
 27 **expiration of the period ending thirty (30) days after the second**
 28 **general election following the date on which notices are mailed to**
 29 **a voter under section 16 of this chapter.**

30 SECTION 5. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) **There is**
 31 **appropriated to the election division _____ dollars**
 32 **(\$_____) from the state general fund for voter**
 33 **registration outreach programs for the fiscal year beginning July**
 34 **1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.**

35 (b) **Any money from the appropriation made in subsection (a)**
 36 **that is unspent on June 30, 2000, is appropriated to the election**
 37 **division from the state general fund for voter registration outreach**
 38 **programs for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2000, and ending**
 39 **June 30, 2001.**

40 (c) **This SECTION expires July 1, 2001.**

41 SECTION 6. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

